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**U.S. District Court
District of Columbia (Washington, DC)
CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:17-cv-01777-EGS**

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
RESPONSIBILITY v. UNITED STATES FISH AND
WILDLIFE SERVICE

Assigned to: Judge Emmet G. Sullivan
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/31/2017
Date Terminated: 11/30/2018
Jury Demand: None
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of
Information Act
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

Plaintiff

**PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR
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RESPONSIBILITY**

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Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/31/2017	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5097426) filed by PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons Fish and Wildlife Service, # <u>3</u> Summons US Attorney General, # <u>4</u> Summons US Attorney DC, # <u>5</u> Declaration Corp. Disclosure)(Dinerstein, Paula) (Entered: 08/31/2017)
09/01/2017	<u>2</u>	LCvR 7.1 CERTIFICATE OF DISCLOSURE of Corporate Affiliations and Financial Interests by PUBLIC EMPLOYEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY. (zmd) (Entered: 09/01/2017)
09/01/2017		Case Assigned to Judge Emmet G. Sullivan. (zmd) (Entered: 09/01/2017)
09/01/2017	<u>3</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice of Consent) (zmd) (Entered: 09/01/2017)
09/05/2017	<u>4</u>	STANDING ORDER: The parties are directed to read the attached Standing Order Governing Civil Cases Before Judge Emmet G. Sullivan in its entirety upon receipt. The parties are hereby ORDERED to comply with the directives in the attached Standing Order. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 09/05/17. (Attachment: # <u>1</u> Exhibit 1) (mac) (Entered: 09/05/2017)

09/11/2017	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 9/11/2017. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 10/11/2017. (Dinerstein, Paula) (Entered: 09/11/2017)
09/14/2017	<u>6</u>	NOTICE of Appearance by Wyneva Johnson on behalf of UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 09/14/2017)
10/11/2017	<u>7</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time to <i>Respond to Plaintiff's Complaint</i> by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 10/11/2017)
10/11/2017		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>7</u> defendant's motion for an extension of time. Defendant is directed to answer or otherwise respond to plaintiff's complaint by no later than November 14, 2017. Counsel for defendant is admonished to seek extensions of time no fewer than three business days before a filing is due. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on October 11, 2017. (lcegs2) (Entered: 10/11/2017)
10/12/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Answer Or Otherwise Response To Complaint due by 11/14/2017. (mac) (Entered: 10/12/2017)
11/14/2017	<u>8</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE.(Johnson, Wyneva) Modified to add link on 11/15/2017 (znmw). (Entered: 11/14/2017)
11/15/2017	<u>9</u>	Consent MOTION to Stay <i>Briefing</i> by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 11/15/2017)
11/17/2017		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>9</u> defendant's motion to defer setting a briefing schedule in view of defendant's pending document production. The parties are directed to file a joint status report including a recommendation for further proceedings, if any, by no later than January 15, 2018. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on November 17, 2017. (lcegs2) (Entered: 11/17/2017)
11/17/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 1/15/2018. (mac) (Entered: 11/17/2017)
01/12/2018	<u>10</u>	Joint MOTION to Stay <i>Briefing</i> by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 01/12/2018)
01/16/2018		MINUTE ORDER. In view of <u>10</u> the parties' joint status report, the parties are directed to file a further joint status report, including a recommendation for further proceedings, if any, by no later than June 15, 2018. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on January 16, 2018. (lcegs2) (Entered: 01/16/2018)
01/16/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 6/15/2018. (mac) (Entered: 01/16/2018)
06/15/2018	<u>11</u>	STATUS REPORT by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE. (Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 06/15/2018)
07/10/2018		MINUTE ORDER. In view of the <u>11</u> joint status report, the parties are directed to file a further joint status report, including a recommendation for further proceedings, if any, by August 9, 2018. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on July 10, 2018. (lcegs2) (Entered: 07/10/2018)
07/10/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 8/9/2018. (mac) (Entered: 07/10/2018)
08/09/2018	<u>12</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 08/09/2018)
08/10/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>12</u> defendant's consent motion for extension of time to file joint status report. Defendant shall file a joint status report by no later than September 7, 2018. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 8/10/2018. (lcegs2) (Entered: 08/10/2018)

08/13/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant Status Report due by 9/7/2018. (mac) (Entered: 08/13/2018)
08/31/2018	<u>13</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to file <i>Joint Status Report</i> by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 08/31/2018)
08/31/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>13</u> defendant's consent motion for extension of time to file joint status report. Defendant shall file a joint status report by no later than October 5, 2018. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 8/31/2018. (lcegs2) (Entered: 08/31/2018)
09/04/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Defendant Status Report due by 10/5/2018. (mac) (Entered: 09/04/2018)
10/11/2018		MINUTE ORDER. The parties are directed to file a joint status report, including a recommendation for further proceedings, if any, by no later than October 15, 2018. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 10/11/2018. (lcegs2) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
10/11/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Joint Status Report due by 10/15/2018. (mac) (Entered: 10/11/2018)
11/06/2018		MINUTE ORDER directing Jim Kurth, Acting Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and government counsel to show cause why they should not be held in contempt for violating two of the Court's Orders by no later than November 14, 2018. The memoranda filed by the government shall include an explanation as to why the defendant has failed to comply with the Court's prior Minute Orders dated August 31 and October 11, 2018. The defendant is FURTHER ORDERED to file a joint status report, including a recommendation for further proceedings, if any, by that same date. Any request for an extension to file the joint status report will not be viewed favorably. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 11/6/2018. (lcegs2) (Entered: 11/06/2018)
11/07/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Show Cause due by 11/14/2018. Joint Status Report due by 11/14/2018. (mac) (Entered: 11/07/2018)
11/14/2018	<u>14</u>	STIPULATION of Dismissal by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE. (Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 11/14/2018)
11/14/2018	<u>15</u>	RESPONSE TO ORDER OF THE COURT re Order,, filed by UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE. (Johnson, Wyneva) (Entered: 11/14/2018)
11/29/2018	<u>16</u>	STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT AND DISMISSAL. Signed by Judge Emmet G. Sullivan on 11/28/18. (mac) (Entered: 11/30/2018)